* The CURTIUS SALON Fridays at 11.00am *

3rd March: 'Pen, Pint and Pork Pie' with Terry Hardy 10th March: 'Father Henry Garnet & the Gunpowder Plot'

with William Ruff

17th March: 'Women Pilots of WW2' with John Whitfield

24th March: 'Da Vinci's Mechanical Marvels' with Graham Hayes

* MUSIC EVENTS with ROBERT *

Thurs 16 March, 10.30am: 'Romeo & Juliet' (ballet) by Prokofiev Thurs 30 March, 10.30am: 'Hansel & Gretel' by Humperdinck Thurs 13 April, 10.30am: 'Roses from the South' (concert) - Andre Rieu

* MONDAY FILMS - at 1.30pm *

6th Mar: 'Road to Singapore' B Hope, B Crosby, D Lamour (1940) 13th Mar: 'A Fistful of Dynamite' James Coburn, Rod Steiger (1972) 20th Mar: 'Roman Holiday' - Gregory Peck, Audrey Hepburn (1953) 27th Mar: 'Wuthering Heights' - Orla Brandy, Rob Cavanagh (2005)

60+ Keep Fit: Audrey Malik, Mon: 10.30 to 11.30am + Seated Exercise Class 11.45 to 12.30pm

KEEP FIT!



KEEP MOVING!!

Elders Forum DANCE - Fridays at 1.30pm
TABLE TENNIS - Fridays: 1.30 to 3.00pm
SHORT MAT BOWLS - Thursdays at 1.30pm
SCRABBLE & RUMMIKUB: Tuesdays at 1.30pm
KNIT & NATTER: Wednesdays at 1.30pm (fortnightly)
GARDENING CLUB: 21st March (monthly) 10.30am
CHAT GROUP: 10th March (every 3rd Friday)

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Newsletter

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What's on? What's happened? What's YOUR view?

Fun and
Games
at the
Mechanics
again!!



"I'm just thinking about my next possible move."

"That music makes me feel SO much better!"

"Your're kidding!! - Really???"

YES, members, at last the time has arrived for you to come in and enjoy some relaxation (only £1 each!). For example - games on Tuesdays at 1.30pm (Scrabble, Rummikub, etc) music Thursdays, 10.30am, and then afterwards perhaps to the restaurant for a delicious drink . . .!

* * * (more details on back page, and on the noticeboard)

GROUP MEETINGS (please check with group Contacts)

Harlequin Ladies' Group: Contact: Jacqui Curwood on 0115 9586500 Wed. 1 March, 2pm: 'Nothing is Ordinary'

- Poetry by Viv Apple. Visitors £2.

Friends of Nottingham Museums: Janet Lievesley: 0115 9221734 21 March: 'Bennerley Viaduct' with Kate Crossley

Nottm Writers' Club: All welcome! Contact Carol: 0115 9817661 Next meeting: Friday 24 March

Dickens Fellowship, Contact: Kathy Powis: 0115 9845375 7 Mar, 1pm, B'day lunch, Nicholas Nickleby Chap 47-49, Doug Travers 21 Mar: Nicholas Nickleby - Chapters 50 - 53, Jeanette Hackett

RTCS, 14 March: Gt Central Railway Signalling - Tom Ingall 28 Mar: Five Decades of derailments - Mike McLoughlin

Nottm Shakespeare Society: Sandra Appleton: 0115 9256551 7 March, 10.30am: 'The Two Noble Kinsmen' 21 March, 7pm: the Henry VI Trilogy (talk) - Kate Wilkinson

Nottm Probus Club, Contact: Robin West: 0115 9164774 22 March: AGM - Welbeck Hall, West Bridgford

The STITCH CLUB meets fortnightly on Mondays, 1.30pm March meetings: 6th & 20th. Contact: Jenny Parker, 0115 9206423

Oddfellows Friendship Group: Games, Speakers, Dominoes etc. Contact: Karen Pye-Smith 07921821866 www.oddfellows.co.uk

Nottm Branch, The National Trust: Irene Milburn 0115 9812267 9 Mar 2.15: Stoneywell, History of Gimson Family: Mark Temple Wed. 22 Mar, 2.15: AGM followed by Nottm Centre Year

National Federation of Occupational Pensioners (NFOP) Phil Wilson - 0115 8752346

MEMBER PROFILE: CAROLE CHAPMAN

My name is Carole Chapman and I have been asked to write a short piece about my life, so here goes...

I was born in 1944 in Nottingham. I had one sister who was ten years older than me, and we lived on Western Boulevard for all of my childhood. I went to Denman Street School until I was eleven, and then to a new school in Wollaton Park: Margaret Glen Bott School.



I left school at 15 (the leaving age in those days) and went to work in the 'True Form' shoe shop in Hyson

Green. After a year I moved on to Ford's in Denman Street, where I earned £3.15 a week. Fortunately, my Auntie worked at John Players and she asked the Company for a job for me! I was accepted and my wage was to be £8.10 per week.

I worked at Players until I got married in 1966. We had two children and we were together for 14 years, after which we went our separate ways. Three years later I met Jay, who became my partner and we have been together happily for 41 years. He already had two daughters, which doubled our family, and we now have 11 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren – so we are kept very busy!

We have lived in a great many different places, including Derbyshire, Great Yarmouth, Spain, Bulgaria – and now back to Bulwell.

We have been members of the Nottingham Mechanics for six years and during that time we have met lots of lovely people, had many nice holidays with Robert, and are hoping to make plenty more good memories.

Carole Chapman

* * * How you can contribute! * * *

The Mechanics is slowly getting back to where we were before the pandemic, and if you would like to help this difficult process, we would really appreciate any donation you would like to make!

Please do so in Reception. Thank you so much for caring!